

REMARKS

This responds to the Office Action mailed on April 13, 2006.

Claims 5-7 are canceled, without prejudice to the Applicants; as a result, claims 1-4 and 8-25 are now pending in this application.

§103 Rejection of the Claims

Claims 5-7 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Jin et al. (U.S. 6,917,617) in view of Comer (“Internetworking with TCP/IP Volume 1, Principle, Protocols, and Architecture”). Claims 5-7 have been cancelled without prejudice to the Applicants. Applicants reserve the right to file subsequent continuations directed to the subject matter of the rejected claims. The rejections of claims 5-7 are no longer applicable since these claims have been cancelled. As a result, the Application is in condition for allowance with no outstanding rejections or objections of record.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-4 and 8-25 were allowed. Applicants acknowledge and appreciate the allowance of claims 1-4 and 8-25.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicants' attorney (513) 942-0224 to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

Respectfully submitted,

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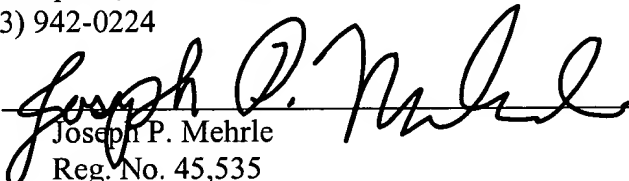
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